



JUNIOR LEAGUE OF
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Junior League of Boca Raton Diaper Bank Provides Aid to Hurricane Victims in Puerto Rico

BOCA RATON, FL, November 27, 2017- The Junior League of Boca Raton (JLBR) has filled a third airplane with donated diapers and food bound for Puerto Rico. Partnering with Puerto Rico Relief Flight, a grass-roots organization based in West Palm Beach, JLBR was able to send 3,720 diapers, 2,006 baby wipes, 105 cans of sunscreen and 582 pounds of food to the island to benefit victims of Hurricane Maria. This recent donation is in addition to the approximately 3,000 adult diapers, 172,800 baby wipes, and 32,000 baby diapers JLBR sent previously on a private plane coordinated with assistance from the Junior League of the Palm Beaches, and a Goodwill cargo plane arranged by The United Way. "This was a tremendous opportunity for our Diaper Bank to assist those in dire need," said JLBR President Renata Sans de Negri.

The JLBR Diaper Bank is the only diaper bank in Palm Beach and Broward Counties. The bank currently distributes approximately 140,000 diapers every other month to local nonprofit agencies, and diapers well over 800 babies per month. Year-round diaper drives, as well as generous private donors, have enabled the JLBR Diaper Bank to act quickly in aiding victims of the recent devastating hurricanes. In addition to sending aid to Puerto Rico, the JLBR Diaper Bank also provided 2,000 diapers to the Florida Keys and members delivered 1,000 diapers to Belle Glades in northern Palm Beach County this past week. Families in both areas were hit particularly hard with hurricane expenses in the aftermath of Hurricane Irma.

While the JLBR Diaper Bank operates primarily in southern Palm Beach and Broward Counties, members saw an opportunity to help those in desperate need outside these immediate areas. “It was a great experience! The opportunity to explore other parts of our service area are trips well taken, and time well spent,” said JLBR Managing Director Meghan Shea, who delivered diapers to Belle Glades.

For more information on the JLBR Diaper Bank including how to host a diaper drive please visit <https://www.jlbr.org/impact/community-diaper-bank/>

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About the Junior League of Boca Raton

Throughout the year, JLBR members will contribute more than 35,000 volunteer hours and donate more than \$250,000 to support our mission of training volunteers, developing the potential of women and improving the South Florida community. To learn more about the JLBR, please contact the JLBR office at [561-620-2553](tel:561-620-2553) or visit www.JLBR.org. Connect with us on facebook.com/JuniorLeagueBocaRaton, twitter.com/JLBocaRaton or Instagram

Mission Statement

The Junior League of Boca Raton (JLBR) is an organization of women committed to promoting voluntarism, developing the potential of women and improving the community through the effective action and leadership of trained volunteers. JLBR's community initiatives focus on issues that have been identified as being of greatest concern within the community: Hunger, Child Welfare and Non-Profit Support. JLBR's purpose is exclusively educational and charitable.

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JLBR President Renata Sans de Negri at the JLBR Diaper Bank warehouse



JLBR volunteers at the November diaper distribution.



Florence Fuller Child Development Center uses a bus to pick up diapers from the JLBR Diaper Bank.



JLBR Diaper Bank volunteers preparing diapers to send to Puerto Rico



Diapers from the JLBR Diaper Bank are packed onto a Puerto Rico Relief Flight plane bound for the island.